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## County application to expand sewerage lines denied by Feds

BY ED LEPOMA

An ambitious program to expand sewerage lines south of Interstate 10 in Hancock County has suffered a temporary, if not fatal, setback.

Bill Minear, vice-chairman of Hancock County Wastewater District #1, revealed this week that an application for \$6.6 million in federal funding has been turned down. Minear and state Rep. J.P. Comprettta, who serves as the attorney for the Wastewater District, said they will now turn to Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott of Mississippi and 5th District U.S. Rep. Gene Taylor for aid.

"As we understand it, the funds for sewerage are channeled through the U.S. Department of Agriculture, and so much is allocated each of the 50 states. Some states don't file application for any of the monies, so whatever's left over, is returned back to Agriculture, and grants that might have been turned down in the initial funding phase may be

from Pearlington residents."

The outgoing board tabled any action on the matter, and tossed the political hot potato over to a new Board of Supervisors, who took office last January.

They also held a public hearing on the sewerage extension program and conceded to Pearlington residents, who said they want to explore their own sewerage options.

Last May, supervisors finally gave the Wastewater District the go-ahead to file for a \$6.5 million that would exclude Pearlington, but add about 1,200 residents south to the system, more than doubling the present customer base.

Comprettta said Wastewater District Commissions received official word last October that the county's application was turned down, but, "We have received so many inquiries from citizens about the status of the program, we felt we need to inform people about what we hope is only a temporary

"We also must not lose sight of the fact, that we're sitting on a time bomb... We've got to clean up our ditches and bayous and stop the dumping of raw sewerage that's been going on for years... It's a miracle that we haven't had a major outbreak so far... People will want to move in but they can't build houses or get loans because there's no sewerage... They'll end up buying in Slidell..." Bill Minear, vice chairman of Hancock County Wastewater District #1

considered once again," said Minear.

The funding request was a scaled-down version of an initial grant application for \$10 million, which would have extended sewerage to Shoreline Park east and west of Highway 803, to Garden Isles and parts of Jourdan River and to Pearlington.

The expansion has been plagued by opposition and inaction on the part of supervisors since it was first proposed more than two years ago.

The deadline for filing the application passed while the previous Board of Supervisors listened to objections mainly

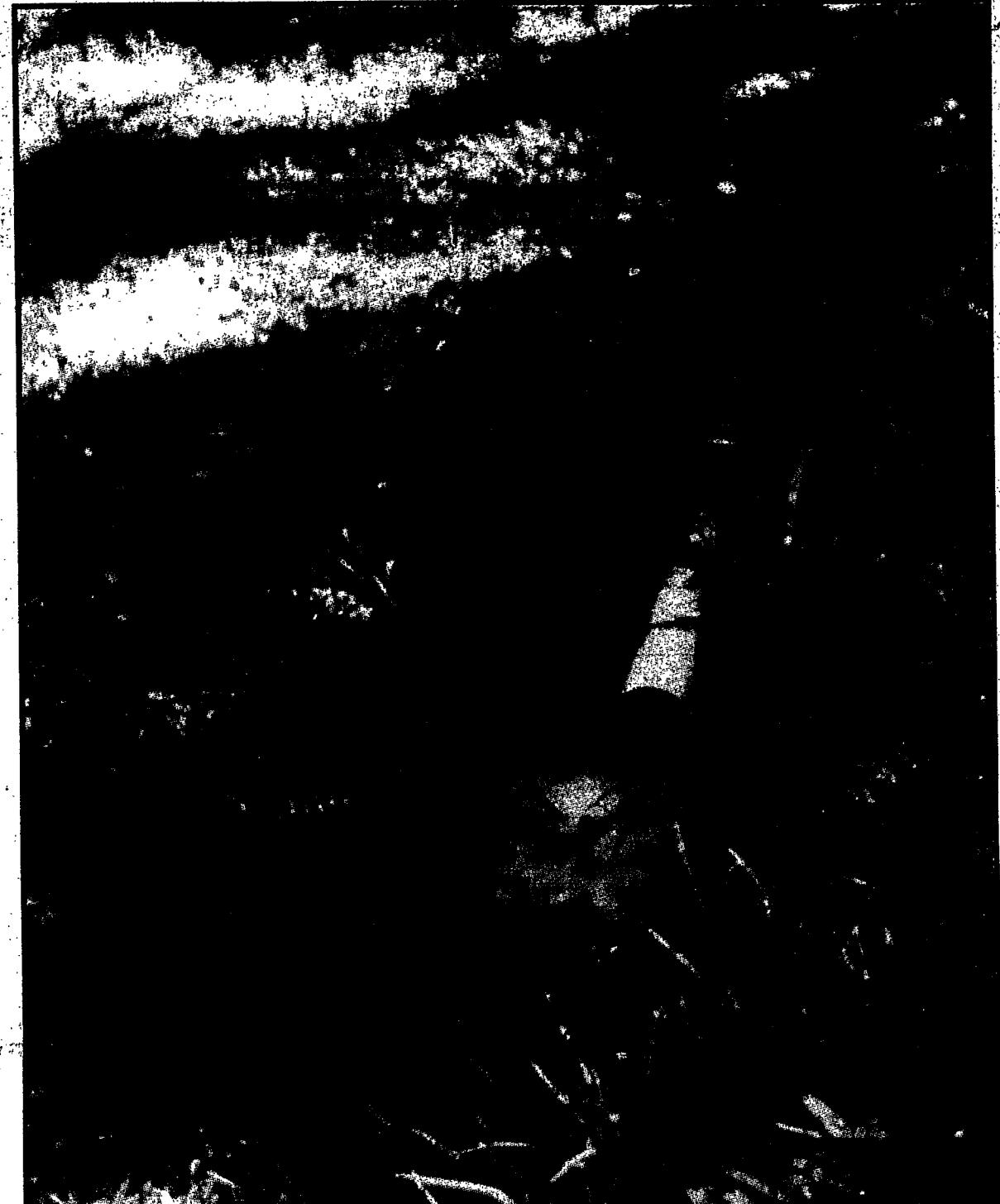
delay."

The official word came from Robert W. Smith, a specialist with the Rural Economic and Community Development Office, which administers the grant program.

Smith said, "Although this was an eligible high-scoring application, it was not selected because the request exceeded 25 percent of the state's grant fund allocation."

He did promise, "Rural and Economic and Community Development will try to obtain an additional allocation of funds for this project from the national office reserve."

SEWERAGE—PAGE 14



### Still a problem

Hancock County's Wastewater District #1 was passed over on a request for \$6.6 million in federal grants and loans needed to expand the sewerage system south of Interstate 10. Meanwhile, raw sewage is being dumped by pipes directly into bayous and streams and officials say the county's sitting on a "time bomb," with inadequate septic tanks adding to the contamination problem. (Echo staff file photo)

## Bay to preserve lagoon

BY BETSY GAGNET

The lagoon located near the border of Waveland and Bay St. Louis is safe from becoming a rubbish site according to Bay St. Louis Mayor Eddie Favre.

The issue was raised at

Monday's workshop when Lydia Shultz, owner of Lydia's Audubon Shoppe, appeared before the Council to voice her concerns over plans for the

lagoon.

The Hancock County Solid Waste District recently considered the possibility of using the

LAGOON—PAGE 14

## Biloxian faces drug charge

BY ELLIS C. CUEVAS

Some eight ounces of methamphetamine was seized early Monday morning on Interstate 10 by Hancock County Sgt. Timothy Broder and Deputy Todd Drummond said Hancock County Narcotics Drug Task Force investigator Corky Hoda.

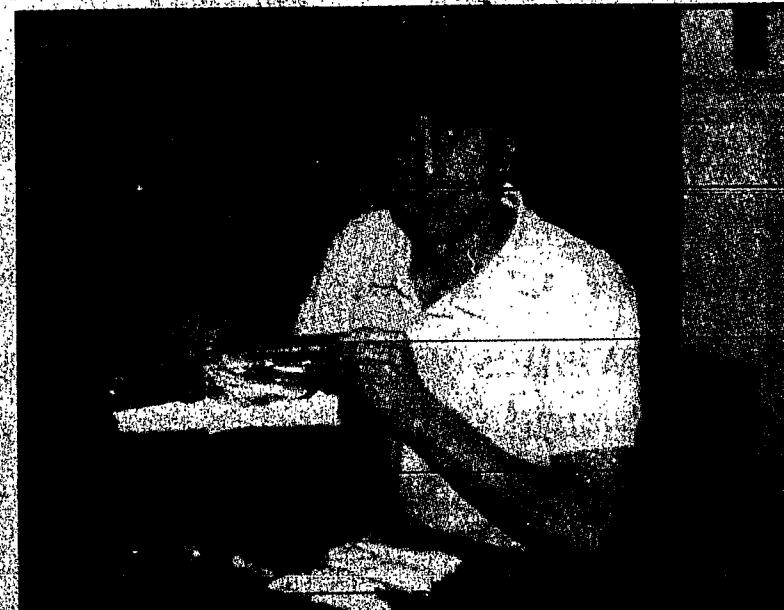
Officer Broder noticed a vehicle displaying a Harrison County tag weaving on the interstate. He stopped the vehicle and began speaking with the driver. During this time, Broder noticed several packages taped together under the front seat of the vehicle partially wrapped with a towel, Hoda said.

Hoda continued, "Broder removed the packages and called me, as I was close to the area. Prior to my arrival, Broder doing a pat-down of the vehicle's driver discovered several more bags taped to his legs."

Upon a field test of the substance, it determined it was methamphetamine, Hoda said.

Biloxi, who was charged with the alleged possession and

attempt to distribute a controlled substance Hoda said.



### Drugs seized

Hancock County Drug Task Force investigator Corky Hoda displayed packages of methamphetamine seized early Monday morning from a motorist on Interstate 10. One person was arrested and the total value \$15,000 in the seizure. Street value of the methamphetamine was estimated at \$15,000 by Hoda. (Echo staff photo)

## TIDES

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Mon.	11:02 p.	
Tue.	6:45 p.	12:03 p.
Wed.	7:55 p.	10:28 a.

Pearls

### Renaissance reception

Dobodoo Magazine photographs a copy of Pearls: Myths and Memorable Events of the Renaissance, a reception Saturday honoring the book and supported the creation of the John and Muriel Dobodoo Renaissance Project Endowment Fund. The book is a contribution by the National Endowment for the Humanities and the Society of the Cincinnati.

**ALMA ALLEN**  
MICHAEL D'ANGELO SR.  
JOHN JERMYN  
JAMES P. MULLALLY  
FRANCIS C. O'TOOLE

**ALMA ALLEN**

Alma Laddell Upchurch Allen, 94, of Diamondhead, formerly of Vancleave, died Saturday, Dec. 21, 1996, in Bay St. Louis.

Mrs. Allen was a longtime member of Vancleave United Methodist Church. She was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star for 50 years and was past matron and organist. She was a retired school teacher.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Flusich O. Allen, and a son, Marshall Earl Allen.

Survivors include a nephew, James Cartwright, who cared for her.

Services were conducted Monday at Vancleave United Methodist Church. Burial was in Vancleave Cemetery.

The family prefers memorials to Methodist Orphanage in Jackson in care of the Vancleave United Methodist Church, US-57, Vancleave, MS 39565.

**MICHAEL D'ANGELO SR.**  
Michael Daniel D'Angelo Sr., 73, of Bay St. Louis, died Saturday, Dec. 21, 1996 in Clermont Harbor.

Mr. D'Angelo was a native of New Orleans and a retired accountant.

He was preceded in death by a son, Ricardo V. D'Angelo; his parents, Emanuel and Emma Calandrina D'Angelo; two

brothers, Joseph D'Angelo and Benny D'Angelo; and a sister, Lena Marino.

Survivors include two sons, Michael D'Angelo Jr. and Emanuel D'Angelo II, both of Slidell; three daughters, Gayle Childs, Catherine D'Angelo, both of Clermont Harbor, and Tessa Chatelain of Sacramento, Calif.; a brother, Frank D'Angelo of Picayune; a sister, Mary D'Angelo Maloney of Metairie; 15 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

A graveside service was conducted Tuesday in Greenwood Cemetery in New Orleans.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis was in charge of arrangements.

**JOHN JERMYN**

John "Jack" Jermyn, 82, of Picayune, died Sunday, Dec. 22, 1996, in Picayune.

Mr. Jermyn was a native of Gulfport and retired as office manager with Pearl River Valley Electric. He was a member of First United Methodist Church in Picayune.

He was preceded in death by a son, Freddie Jermyn.

Survivors include his wife, Sara Jermyn; a daughter, Mary Lou Robbins, both of Picayune; five brothers, Bobby Jermyn of Gulfport, Tom Jermyn of Somerset, Mass., Dick Jermyn of Gulfport, Harry Jermyn of Albuquerque, N.M., and Pat Jermyn of Gulfport; three sisters, Enola Jermyn of Gulfport, Thelma Duling of Esbridge, Kan., and Catherine Wood of Pass Christian; and two granddaughters.

Services were conducted Tuesday at First United Methodist Church in Picayune, with burial in Sandy Hook Methodist Church Cemetery. McDonald Funeral Home in Picayune was in charge of arrangements.

**JAMES P. MULLALLY**  
James Patrick Mullally, 85, of Pass Christian and formerly of New Orleans, died Monday, Dec. 23, 1996, in Gulfport.

Mr. Mullally was born in New Orleans. He attended Jesuit High School and Tulane University. He was a retired executive at Phelps Dodge Corporation. An artist and an avid sailor, he represented Southern Yacht Club in New Orleans for many years. He was a member of Pass Christian Yacht Club and St. Paul Catholic Church in Pass Christian.

Survivors include his wife, Mary Weatherly Mullally of Pass Christian; a daughter and son-in-law, Dennis and Jane Mullally Cross; a sister, Evelyn Kivett Daigre; and three grandchildren.

A Memorial Mass was celebrated Friday at St. Paul Catholic Church in Pass Christian.

**FRANCIS C. O'TOOLE**  
Francis S. O'Toole, 72, died Sunday, Dec. 22, 1996, in Diamondhead.

Mr. O'Toole was a native of Plentywood, Montana, and a resident of Diamondhead. He was a member of St. Thomas Episcopal Church in Diamondhead, the Diamondhead Men's Golf Association and was a veteran of World War II, having served in the United States Marine Corps.

Survivors include his wife, Betty O'Toole; three children, Patricia Middendorf of Florissant, Mo., Shea Davis of St. Charles, Mo., and James O'Toole of Boise, Idaho; three brothers, Jerry O'Toole of San Diego, Calif., James O'Toole of Froid, Montana, and Eugene O'Toole of Florence, Montana; five grandchildren and three stepgrandchildren.

A private service will be conducted at a later date.

Memorials may be made to the Organ Fund at St. Thomas Episcopal Church in Diamondhead or to the American Cancer Society, 1824 DeBuys Road, Biloxi, MS 39531.

Riemann Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis is in charge of arrangements.

**Card of Thanks**

On behalf of Oris V. Ladner Sr., who passed away Dec. 10, 1996, we wish to thank the following for their care and concern during his illness:

—Jeremy Taylor

Father John Kelly, Dr. Chilimigras and staff, doctors and nurses and staffs of Hancock Medical Center, Slidell Radiation Center, Slidell Memorial Hospital, Tulane Medical Center, Quality Home Health Care and Quality Hospice of the Gulf Coast.

We're very grateful to VF members who performed military graveside services.

A special thanks to his numerous friends and family members who participated in and helped with Mr. Ladner's benefit and raffle.

May God bless each and every one of you.

Shirley Lehnen and Family

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## Coast group hosts national symposium

Emergency workers and mental health professionals on the Gulf Coast held a national symposium on stress management for police, fire, ambulance and hospital emergency department personnel Dec. 5-8 at the Holiday Inn Airport.

Philip Thomas, a paramedic with American Medical Response, said the event "trained concerned emergency and mental health personnel to help law enforcement, firefighting and emergency medical workers cope with the high stresses of their jobs."

Thomas noted that emergency workers pay a heavy emotional and physical price from job stress. Nationally, rates of suicide, substance abuse, heart attack, divorce, domestic violence and employee burnout and turnover are high among emergency workers.

Thomas is a leader of the South Mississippi Critical Incident Stress Management (CISM) team, a two-year-old group which is co-sponsoring the symposium with the Maryland-based International Critical Incident Stress Foundation (ICISF).

Speakers included internationally-recognized leaders in stress management for emergency workers, including Jeffrey Mitchell, PhD, a former Baltimore firefighter who became a psychologist and founded ICISF. A clinical professor at the University of Maryland, Dr. Mitchell is author of three texts on CISM and has lectured in all 50 states plus seven other nations.

The symposium included five tracks: basic CISM for public safety and mental health professionals just beginning their work in this area; advanced CISM; critical stress management for the families of emergency workers; peer support strategies for emergency personnel; and psychotraumatology for mental health clinicians.

A critical incident is any situation which might cause

emergency workers extraordinary stress. Examples are calls in which a child dies, or a co-worker is injured or killed, or many people are hurt or killed, such as in an airline crash.

A CISM team is a volunteer group made up of specially-trained emergency workers, headed by mental health professionals with sensitivity to the stresses of emergency jobs.

Shortly after a critical incident, a CISM team meets with the affected emergency personnel to help them recognize the warning signs of debilitating stress, to talk them through the incident in a non-judgmental way, and to review with them ways to help themselves or to seek additional help. Such a meeting is called a debriefing. In addition to their debriefing function, CISM teams also run seminars for emergency workers and their families on coping with daily stress and with cumulative stress.

The ICISF estimates there are 450 CISM teams, worldwide. CISM has been credited with saving the lives of many emergency workers, for reducing attrition among them, and for enriching their lives. CISM helps ensure that emergency workers render quality service and saves recruitment, training and insurance costs.

Pam San Fellipo of the Bay St. Louis Fire Department participated in the symposium.



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## "CUEVAS' QUOTES"

By Ellis C. Cuevas

You have just a few days left to finalize your New Year's resolutions.

This year sure has passed by very fast for me. Easter seems to have been just several weeks ago.

At one time New Year's resolutions were popular, but I think not too many folks think about them anymore.

One of my big goals for 1997 will be to lose some 15 pounds or so. It seems my waistline has increased a bit last year, and I need to lose a couple inches.

One thing is for sure, when it comes to increase in waistlines, I am not the only one with that particular problem.

It will be interesting to see what will happen to the extra inches I need to lose.

One thing to look forward to in 1997 is the early Mardi Gras parades. The Krewe of Nereids is scheduled to roll on Groundhog Day, Sunday, February 2.

This is a bit early, but Easter will be early this year.

Nereids members are very busy putting the final touches on the floats and costumes for the big festive event.

It's a great spectacular, and I am hoping this year will be the largest parade attendance ever for the group of ladies.

Santa has come and gone for most youngsters of the area, and I am hoping they received their requests from the once-a-year visitor.

Several residents have helped many children have a good Christmas by purchasing gifts, contributing money, food and clothing to those deserving residents who may not have the means to do so.

These contributors really need to be acknowledged, because they are really doing a fine service for their fellowman in our community.

In these times there are some families who are less fortunate than others, and they need a helping hand.

I think it is great to live in Hancock County, a caring community.

One area of the community we really need to think about during the Christmas season is the Waveland Animal Shelter.

The animals need care every day of the year and need it especially during the winter months.

There is always a need for blankets, towels and even foods at the shelter.

I received a letter a few days ago from Thyla Rogers, president of the Hancock County Humane Society making a request.

Mrs. Rogers reports the Waveland Animal Shelter is in need of a pressure washer to use on the shelter's concrete floor.

Thyla said they would love someone to donate a new one, but they would also be thrilled and grateful if someone would give them a used one that still works.

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## Miss. to receive \$1.5 million to combat drug trafficking

Law enforcement authorities in Mississippi will receive nearly \$1.5 million to help combat drug trafficking, the state's two United States senators announced.

U.S. Senators Thad Cochran and Trent Lott said the funds were part of \$6 million allocated for the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Program in the Gulf Coast states of Mississippi, Louisiana and Alabama.

Cochran and Lott, along with the Mississippi Congressional Delegation, announced the \$1.5 million in additional funding for the state.

## Concerning Medicaid

### Can we keep grandma out of jail?

By William B. Howell

As of Jan. 1, 1997, it will be a federal crime to transfer property with the intent to become eligible for Medicaid if such transfer results in a period of ineligibility for Medicaid benefits. This somewhat unexpected new provision is found in Section 217 of the Kennedy-Kassebaum Bill, officially titled the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act, signed into law Aug. 22, 1996.

This does not apply solely to older Medicaid applicants, but they are the largest in number and are the subject here.

Simply put, if Grandma signs over property (real or personal) outright to her daughter for less than adequate consideration in order not to have non-exempt assets when she applies for Medicaid assistance she likely will be guilty of this crime if done after Jan. 1, 1997 (and maybe before).

Sounds simple so far. But there is more.

As many are aware, Medicaid has what is termed a "lookback" period during which time any transfer that was made are subject to scrutiny, and may result in a time of disqualification. The lookback period is now 3 years (5 years if transfers are made to most trusts) prior to the application for Medicaid. Any transfer during that time may result in a period of Medicaid ineligibility.

The length of such ineligibility period in months would be the uncompensated value transferred divided by the monthly nursing home charge currently in use by the Division of Medicaid. For example, a \$50,000 transfer, assuming a \$2,000 per month nursing home cost, results in an ineligibility period of 25 months ( $50,000 \div 2,000 = 25$ ).

The question arises: When is the crime committed? At the time of the transfer of the property, or when application is made for Medicaid and a period of ineligibility is determined? If the latter, then it could be possible for an applicant to be prosecuted criminally for the results of a transfer that took place in 1994, long before Kennedy-Kassebaum became the law of the land. Answer unknown.

What about the person who is in good health and transfers property for estate planning purposes, and then within 3

years has a devastating illness, is financially wiped out, moves to a nursing home and applies for Medicaid assistance?

Is intent specifically required to be proven, or can it be presumed for the resulting period of ineligibility (natural result of a conscious and deliberate act)?

Take this same fact pattern but presume the application for Medicaid assistance was not made until 37 months after the transfer, would that have eliminated the period of ineligibility and therefore any danger of criminal prosecution? Based on a strict reading of the law, it should, but no definitive answer can yet be given.

Now let's explore "undoing" the crime to avoid the time?" Never heard of such a thing? 42 United States Code, Section 1396p(c)(2)(iii) allows the removal of a period of Medicaid ineligibility through reversing of the transfer which cause it.

This might possibly solve the criminal problem, that is if the transferee will return it (if s/he still has it). And, if it looks as if a period of ineligibility and its accompanying potential criminal liability are going to result, could the party merely withdraw their Medicaid application? Would that act eliminate the possibility of criminal prosecution? As of this writing these proposals have not yet been either approved or disapproved.

Now, more than ever before, those persons with even remotely possible nursing home stays in their future, with modest assets and no long-term care insurance (Medicare is not long-term care insurance), need to have sound advice before making any uncompensated transfers and/or before applying for Medicaid. One final note. Prosecution for this federal crime will not be limited to the Medicaid applicants alone. Those who aid, abet, advise and counsel are subject to criminal prosecution as well.

January 1997 ushers in a new Medicaid era. Be aware and be prepared.

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## Secretary of State registrar of rules changes for agencies

The Mississippi Administrative Procedures Law designates the Secretary of State's Office as the official registrar for the rules of all state agencies. Currently over 120 state agencies file their agency procedures and rules with the Secretary of State's Office.

Each state agency proposes its own rules and regulations, seeks public comment on the proposed changes and ultimately adopts the final rules or regulations. This process usually takes several months.

The public, which is often affected by these procedures, has an important role in this process.

Citizens can voice their opinions regarding proposed regulations by writing and providing comments to the state agencies.

However, citizens cannot comment on the changes without knowing that changes have been proposed.

For that reason, the Secretary of State's Office distributes a monthly report briefly describing the proposed procedures. Each proposed change is listed by agency with a contact person and telephone number.

The Secretary of State's office does not participate in a state agency's decision-making process when it proposes administrative rules changes.

The final decision about whether to implement proposed changes is entirely up to the agency proposing the change.

## THE PEOPLE'S BUSINESS

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### MISSISSIPPI'S TAX RATE RANKS HIGH

Mississippians paid \$80.37 for every \$1,000 of personal income in fiscal year 1995 — making the state one of the nation's leaders in collecting a high percentage of a taxpayer's hard-earned money.

But before you start to outrage against legislators who levy state taxes, consider this: Mississippi was ninth in collecting state taxes as a percentage of personal income in FY 95 but 39th in the amount of state tax collections on a per capita basis.

What does this mean? It simply is another reflection of how the state's economy is expanding, other states are moving up in the rankings and Mississippi is falling behind.

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## IN AND AROUND DIAMONDHEAD

By Margaret Williamson

No one will ever get out of this world alive, so resolve therefore to maintain a reasonable sense of values.

Take care of yourself. Good health is everyone's major source of wealth. Without it, happiness is almost impossible. Be cheerful, helpful and kind. People will repay you for it.

Avoid angry abrasive per-

sons. They are generally vengeful.

Avoid zealots and bigots. They are generally humorless.

Resolve to listen more and to talk less. No one ever learns anything by talking.

Be chary of giving advice. Wise men don't need it, and fools don't heed it.

Avoid tender with the young,

compassionate with the aged, sympathetic with the striving, and tolerant of the weak and the wrong. Sometime in life, you will have been all of these.

Do not equate money with success. There are many successful money makers who are miserable failures as human beings. What counts most about success is how a person achieves it.

The holidays are not just candles and music, nor are they only small children rushing to unwrap all of their gifts.

The holidays are also a time of remembering those we love who are with us to share in the season and to remember those we love who have departed from this world.

## Diamondhead royalty crowned at ball

On Thursday, Dec. 5, the Krewe of Diamondhead held its coronation ball to present the 1997 court at the Isle of Capri Casino Crowne Plaza Resort in Biloxi. The krewe is celebrating its 22nd year in existence. The festivities and decorations depicted the holiday season.

The ballroom was accented by two lavishly decorated Christmas trees. Each table had a wreath decorated with pine cones, gold ribbons and gold ornaments. The wreath was placed on top of a red velvet cross accented with gold braid and tassels. In the middle of the wreath was a red candle.

The evening began with the official blowing of the whistle by Captain Benny Mistretta while the band played carnival music.

Participating in the ceremony as maids and dukes were James Sexton and Mrs. Pat Sexton; Stanley Robert and Mrs. Peggy Clemons; John Sibley and Mrs. Gloria Enright; and Herman Zeringue and Mrs. Bette Flood. Each maid was escorted by her duke. The maids wore ballgowns of different colors with white gloves.

A short review of the 1996 carnival season was given by the master of ceremony, Jerry Reschew, before the royal couple was introduced. He reminded the audience that the carnival season began with the terrible tragedy of a fire at the Diamondhead Country Club. Last year was the first time the ball had to be held outside of Diamondhead. He recalled that the theme was "Legends of Old" and recognized the court.

To the tune of "If Ever I Cease to Love," King Ali'i Honua XXI Berlon Dennis and Queen Alice Burkhardt entered the ballroom for their final promenade. The queen wore a white beaded ball gown with a short train.

Reigning over the coronation ball was King Ali'i Honua XXII Edward Rosenhauer and Queen Diane Calhoun. The queen was attired in a full-length royal blue jeweled gown.

After the official toasts by the captain, the royal proclamation was given by the king. He declared that all golf balls hit into the woods would bounce back onto the fairway and that all present would have a healthy and happy carnival season. He closed by using an Iowa phrase, "Let's party."

The officers of the Krewe of Diamondhead are Mistretta, captain; Reschew, president; Jerry Bourg, treasurer; Neil Dennis, secretary; Chris Arnos, parade lieutenant; James Kasper, ways and means lieutenant; Henry Burkhardt, social lieutenant; and Hilda L. Bourg, publicity lieutenant.

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Thoughts for the New Year

## Sleep Disorders Center

The Sleep Disorders Center at NorthShore Regional Medical Center in Slidell recently hosted the area's first Alert, Well and Keeping Energetic (AWAKE) meeting.

AWAKE is a support group for patients suffering from the sleep disorder, obstructive sleep apnea (OSA). The group is designed to bring together patients and their families and friends who are learning to live with the sleep disorder.

Dr. Anwant Chawla, board certified sleep specialist and medical director of The Sleep Disorders Center introduced speaker Francisco Candal, MD, a pulmonologist at NorthShore, who presented a slide presentation on OSA.

Pam Serling of Health Management Services, provided tips on how patients can keep their Continuous Positive Airway Pressure/Bi-Positive Airway Pressure (CPAP/BiPAP) equipment clean and in proper working order.

AWAKE is open to all OSA patients. For information about the next meeting, call (504) 646-5711.



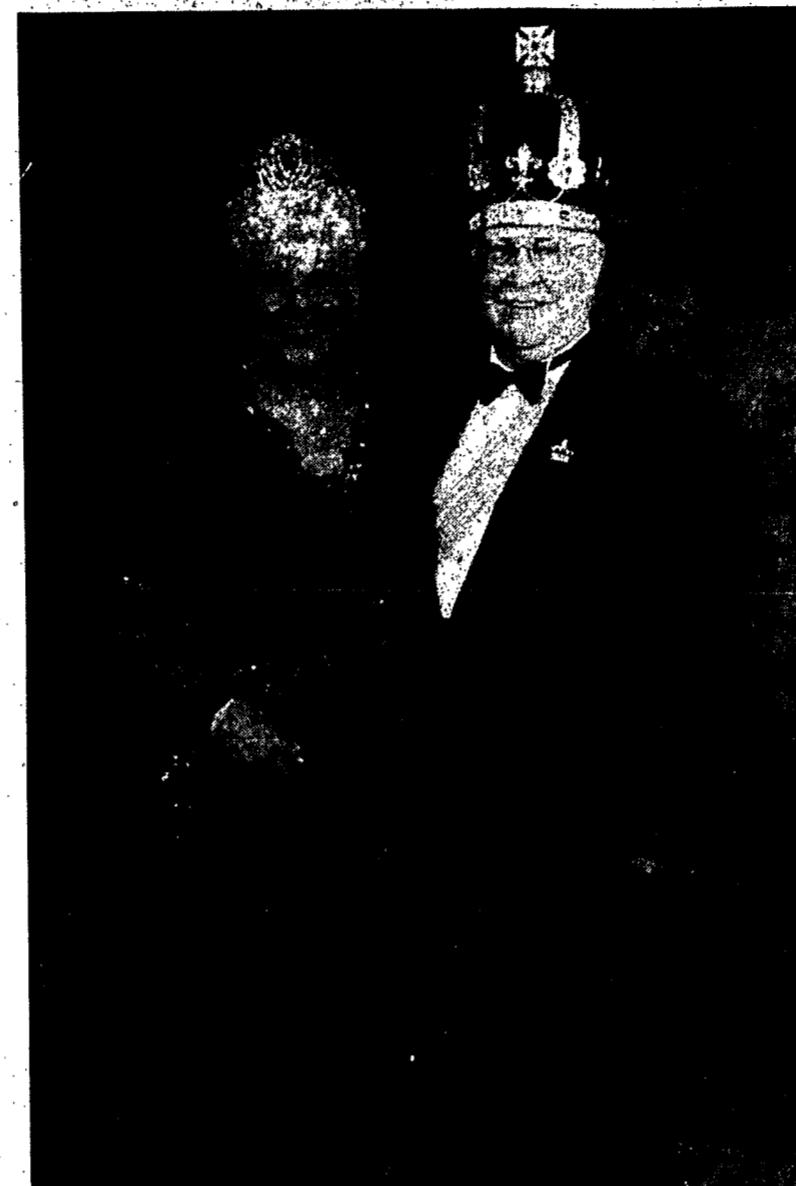
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### Christmas reindeer

Shelby Rigby is all dressed up like Rudolph as part of a Christmas Program at Bay Catholic Friday. The kindergarten and pre-school classes performed Christmas carols for parents and friends. Older students performed a program entitled "Christmas through a Child's Eyes" in the Our Lady of the Gulf Church. (Echo staff photo by Betsy Gagnet)

### County beef producers proactive in education

In this era of tight school budgets, beef producers in Hancock County and around the country are helping out by offering educational materials to teachers. The materials, offered a little or no cost through the Mississippi Cattle Industry Board, address topics as diverse as conservation, food safety, nutrition, recycling and grocery shopping for students in preschool through college.

Surveys of cattle producers have shown that one of their main concerns is the education of young people," said Mei Mei Newsome, director, Promotions and Information of the Mississippi Cattle Industry Board.

"Just like other parents and business people, cattle producers want to see the nation's children receive a good education—especially as it relates to beef, the beef industry and agriculture in general."

Two new, checkoff-funded educational products have recently been introduced to help in that effort. The first, *And the Winner is . . . Ground Beef*, focuses on food shipping, using ground beef as an example. The sports-themed booklet teaches the fundamental principles of food safety, health, nutrition and value shopping to junior and senior high school consumer education students.

"Kids this age are very con-

cerned about fat and nutrition, as are their parents," said Newsome. "This booklet assures them that ground beef can fit into a healthy diet."

"Studies have shown that kids don't eat a balanced diet," said Newsome. "This package is part of an ongoing effort to emphasize the importance of eating from all the food groups."

Through *Dig In!* students learn basic skills in the areas of language arts, social studies, math/technology, science/health and fine arts. A unique, special designed *Food Guide Pyramid* included in the materials features food that the Egyptians ate, including beef.

The meat group portion of the Food Guide Pyramid shows cattle and geese, which were often displayed in ancient Egyptian art, while the fats, oils and sweets group at the top of the pyramid depicts a honey bee because the ancient Egyptians ate honey rather than sugar," Newsome said.

Other beef industry educational materials include posters, educational video kits, study print programs and fact sheets.

For information about beef industry educational materials or a free catalog, call the Mississippi Cattle Industry Board at 1-601-354-8951.

### Pesticide contamination

Pesticide contamination in three Mississippi locales pushes state and federal responders to rely on both high-tech processing and common sense approaches to coordinate their response efforts.

Response teams conduct daily conference calls that link Jackson, Gulf Coast, Hattiesburg and Atlanta-based experts on health and the environment.

State Health Officer Dr. Ed Thompson reports latest information on potentially dangerous levels of the pesticide methyl parathion, based on calls to the pesticide hotline and laboratory analyses.

Since early November, the Mississippi State Department of Health, the Department of Agriculture, and other state and federal agencies have been investigating and responding to reported indoor use of methyl parathion, commonly called "cotton poison."

People who think their homes or businesses might have been treated with methyl parathion or who have bought unlabeled pesticides may call the statewide pesticide hotline, 1-800-359-0564.

By Dec. 17, some 1,583 premises reportedly had been sprayed — of the 574 with lab results reported, nearly 300 will need full-scale decontamination.

The Department of Agriculture and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency continue to collect environmental samples for analysis at the State Chemical Laboratory, which reports to the health department.

All responders rely on the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) to coordinate efforts. ATSDR's staff work both from headquarters in Atlanta and one-site in

Jackson County.

But the Mississippi State Department of Health bears lead responsibility for contacting people with their results, collecting urine samples to determine if individuals have absorbed methyl parathion, and recommending action.

Partners at the Mississippi Regional Poison Control Center answer consumers' health-related questions, and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in Atlanta run the urine tests and consults on action recommended.

EPA coordinates the response, relocating families and hiring cleanup contractors. In Jackson County, the Coast Guard assists with emergency response, and the State Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) gives technical assistance about cleanup. The Army Corps of Engineers helps with relocation of families.

By Dec. 17, some 874 people had been relocated from 218 houses in Jackson County.

Methyl parathion poisoning symptoms can involve a wide range of effects, including sweating, dizziness, excess salivation, muscle tremors, headache, muscle weakness, diarrhea, blurred vision, nausea and vomiting.

### Healthy pregnancy class

Columbia Garden Park Hospital is offering a free "Healthy Pregnancy Class" Jan. 3 for expectant parents.

The class will be held in the physicians' office room and will begin at 10 a.m. Refreshments will be served. The class is open to the public and is also recommended for couples planning a pregnancy in the near future.

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# SPORTS

THE SEA COAST ECHO—THURSDAY, DECEMBER 26, 1996-7

## Sea Wolves weekly recap (2-1-0)

Tuesday, Dec. 17, Mississippi 7 at Birmingham 6 SO

Kelly Hurd (12) became the first Sea Wolf to score four goals in a game including the game winner in the shootout. Mississippi led 3-2 after the first period and 5-4 after two.

The Sea Wolves led 6-4 at 6:36 of the third period as Hurd recorded the first Mississippi hat trick.

Kevin Hilton (2-pp), Troy Mann (19) and Jeff Rohlicek (16) also scored.

Quinn Fair notched three assists. The Sea Wolves outshot the Bulls 39-32. Sylvain Daigle recorded his 12th win. It was Mississippi's first win in Birmingham.

Friday, Dec. 20, Birmingham 3 at Mississippi 2 SO

After a high scoring game Tuesday, the two teams played defense Friday night. Dany Busquet scored his eighth goal against the Sea Wolves.

Joakim Wassberger (6), Busquet and Todd Holt scored first period goals to give the Bulls a 2-1 lead after one.

Kevin Evans (7-pp) tied the game for the Sea Wolves in the third period to force the shootout.

Max Williams scored the game winner in the eighth round of the shootout.

Frederick Beaubien suffered the loss as the Bulls outshot the Sea Wolves 38-35.

Saturday, Dec. 21, Mississippi 5 at Baton Rouge 4 SO

The Sea Wolves won for the first time in Baton Rouge edg-

ing the Kingfish in the team's third consecutive shootout.

Kevin Evans (8, 9 pp) scored twice for Mississippi who trailed 2-1 after one.

Troy Mann notched his 20th goal and Steve Yule scored for the first time since opening night to force yet another shootout.

Kevin Hilton, Kelly Hurd (13-gw) and Evans scored in the shootout.

Sylvain Daigle won his 13th game. The Sea Wolves outshot the Kingfish 34-27. Mississippi was 2 for 5 on the powerplay.

### TRACKING THE SEA WOLVES

\* Troy Mann is tied 12th in the ECHL, scoring race (20-18-38). He is also tied sixth in goals. Mann has a three-game point streak (2-1-3) and 24 points (11g, 13a) in 13 of the last 15.

\* Jeff Rohlicek has a three-game point streak (1-5-6) and 22 points (8g, 14a) in 11 of the last 15. He is tied 12th in league scoring and for the league lead with three shorthanded goals.

\* Patrick Rochon had assists in five of the last six games (1-5-6).

\* Kevin Evans leads the ECHL with 231 penalty minutes. Kevin leads the circuit with 38 minor penalties and is fourth with 15 majors.

\* Evans has a three-game point streak (3-1-4) and 16 points (6g, 10a) in 11 of the last 12.

\* Mike Muller leads all defensemen in the ECHL with 12 goals and is tied for the lead in scoring among blueliners with

29 points (12g 17a). Muller has 14 points (5g, 9a) in 10 of the last 15.

\* Kelly Hurd has 11 points (8g, 3a) in five of the last six.

\* Joakim Wassberger has scored five goals in four of the last seven and has nine points (5g, 4a) in six of the last nine.

\* Roger Maxwell is second in the league with 200 penalty minutes. He is tied for the circuit lead with 18 majors.

\* Sylvain Daigle is 10-3-2 in his last 15 outings with a 3.01 goals against and a .916 saves percentage. He is tied 11th in the ECHL with a 3.18 goals against average, fifth in saves percentage at .911 and tied third in wins 13.

### Transactions:

12/17 D Quinn Fair loaned to Baltimore (AHL)

12/19 C Andrew Dale assigned by Phoenix (IHL)

12/19 C Chris Schmidt assigned by Phoenix (IHL)

### AFTER THE WHISTLE

\* Mississippi hits the Christmas break tied for first place (Tallahassee) in the South with a record of 17-10-4 and 38 points.

\* The Sea Wolves lead the ECHL in games played at 31.

\* Mississippi will be the fourth team to go over the 100,000 mark in attendance Friday.

\* The Sea Wolves are 13-2-1 at home with 27 points, most of any team in the league in their own building. They have outscored the opposition 63-43, an average of 3.94 to 2.69. They are 10-1-1 in the last 12.

\* The Sea Wolves are 6-0 on

Tuesday.

\* Mississippi is 10-3-1 when outshooting the opponent and 6-7-3 when outshot.

\* The Sea Wolves are tied second in the league with seven shorthanded goals, all of which have come at home. Knoxville leads with eight.

\* The Sea Wolves have held the opposition scoreless only six times in the first period this season and are 5-0-1. They have allowed 48 first period goals, second only to Johnstown and Knoxville (49).

\* Mississippi has scored 44 first period goals, second only to South Carolina with 45.

\* 15 of the Sea Wolves first 31 games have been decided by one goal. They are 8-3-4.

\* Mississippi has allowed just 19 third period goals, second fewest to Charlotte's 17.

\* The Sea Wolves powerplay is ranked fifth in the league at 23.2%. The Sea Wolves have scored 36 powerplay goals, third most in the ECHL. It was 4/12 33.3% last week. They are ranked third on the road at 25.6% (20/78).

\* Mississippi's penalty killing is ranked 12th in the league killing 125/155 for 80.6%. They killed 8/11 72.7% last week.

\* The Sea Wolves are 4-10-3 when scoring three or fewer goals.

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### Beta Club officers

The Gulfview Elementary Junior Beta Club recently held its election of officers. This year's officers are, from left, Meghan Hedrick, president; Jessica Stimens, vice-president; Lori Gaudie, secretary; Veronica Fucich, treasurer; and Lisa Peterson, recorder. The Beta Club is an honors club for honor roll students.

### Parents should monitor teen's job

Whether a student works part-time to pay for gifts for the holidays, to contribute to household income, or for spending money, a job is also a vehicle for a student to gain a wealth of valuable experience. A part-time job can build a resume, help a young person learn responsibility and achieve a sense of self-reliance.

"It can sharpen people skills, and time and money management. But, a teen's part-time job must be carefully balanced with the teen's number one priority, getting a good education."

"A part-time job can be very relevant to a student's academic achievement," said Ed Reissi, president and CEO McDonald's USA, which, with more than 8,000 restaurants in the United States, is one of this country's largest employers of students.

"A student working part-time at McDonald's, for example, can have opportunities to see and experience all aspects of the operation of a business, from marketing to budgeting, purchasing, training and customer service."

Parents and educators can ensure that the work and other obligations of their children's employment do not interfere with their studies. McDonald's, for example, offers a flexible scheduling system that accommodates school and work.

Principals advise that teachers use examples that many students face in part-time jobs to make classroom teaching come to life. For example, the challenges of running a cash register can be used in teaching math.

The U.S. Department of Labor suggests that parents help monitor their teens' work by:

- Talking with them about their job to keep abreast of changes in duties, equipment, supervision and problems.

- Being alert for the warning signs, such as late night hours, unsupervised work, recent employer citations for child labor violations, or employee injuries in the workplace.

- Knowing that teens under the age of 18 should not be asked to perform certain hazardous jobs, such as driving a car, roofing, riding in the back of an open truck, and using a power-driven slicer or bakery machine.

- Meeting with the employer to let them know you're concerned about safety and the nature of the job.

- Visiting the job site frequently, which can give parents the chance to see changes. Notice not only the employee's duties, but those of other workers since often, one worker is asked to substitute in another worker's job.

- Encouraging the employer to provide a written contract that specifies the nature of the job, the hours, the pay rate, the benefits and the length of the employment.

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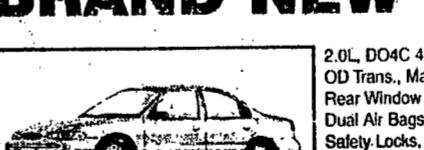
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## Law students receive scholarships

Three students at the University of Mississippi School of Law each were awarded the Hugh C. "Buzzy" Clayton Memorial Scholarship. They are, second from left, Amy Louise Bland of Kosciusko, Peggy L. Dutton of Bay St. Louis and Scott Hendrix of Louisville. Acting Dean William M. Champion, left, offered congratulations at a special event on the Ole Miss-Oxford campus honoring scholarship recipients and donors.

## Safety Belt, child protective device, and helmet survey results announced

Mississippi's motor vehicle safety belt use was 45.99 percent, child protective device 50 percent and motorcycling helmet use 98.45 percent in 1996, according to surveys by Mississippi State University's Social Science Research Center.

Safety belt use was 46 percent in 1995 and 43 percent in 1994. Child protective device use was 49 percent in 1995 and 51 percent in 1994. Helmet use was 98.76 percent in 1995 and 98 percent in 1994.

The surveys were conducted for the Governor's Office of Highway Safety. The safety belt and helmet surveys employed a sampling methodology designed by the University of Tennessee's Transportation Research Center in which counties, road segments, day of the week, time of the day and direction of observation were randomly chosen.

This methodology has been approved by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA). The child protective device survey employed a technique developed by Mississippi State University and was conducted in 30 cities that are representative of the state's population.

A total of 49,684 motorists were observed in the safety belt survey, 6,578 children in the child protective device survey and 216 motorcyclists in the helmet survey.

"Many lives are needlessly taken each year because of Mississippi motorists neglecting to use safety belts or child protective devices," said Donald O'Cain, governor's representa-

tive for highway safety and executive director of the Mississippi Division of Public Safety Planning.

In 1995, more than 80 percent of those killed on Mississippi roadways were not using safety belts or child protective devices such as safety seats.

NHTSA research indicates that safety belts, when used correctly, reduce the risk of injury to automobile front-seat passenger by 45 percent and the risk of moderate to critical injury by 50 percent. Research on the effectiveness of child safety seats has found them to reduce fatal injury by 69 percent for infants and 47 percent for toddlers. Motorcycling helmets are estimated to be 29 percent effective in preventing fatal injuries, O'Cain said.

Mississippi can be proud of the fact that compliance with our law requiring all motorcyclists to use helmets is among the highest in the nation," he said.

Also state law requires that all automobile and truck drivers, and their front-seat passengers, use occupant protection devices and children under 4 years of age be buckled into child protective devices. If these individuals would obey the laws, just as the overwhelming majority of motorcyclists do, we could see a drastic cut in deaths and serious injuries on Mississippi roadways.

"Must it take death, serious injuries or an arrest to convince those who are not using safety belts or child protective devices to recognize their importance? I hope not," O'Cain said.

## Miss. to receive \$1.5 million to combat drug trafficking

Law enforcement authorities in Mississippi will receive nearly \$1.5 million to help combat drug trafficking, the state's two United States senators announced.

U.S. Senators Thad Cochran and Trent Lott said the funds were part of \$6 million allocated for the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Program in the Gulf Coast states of Mississippi, Louisiana and Alabama.

Cochran, a senior member of the Senate Appropriations Committee, said funds for the HIDTA program were included in the FY 1997 Omnibus Appropriations Act.

The funds will enable state, local and federal law enforce-

ment agencies to employ 33 full-time personnel to battle drug trafficking in the Gulf Coast area.

The HIDTA program is administered by the Office of National Drug Control Policy.

A total of 152 personnel in the three-state Gulf Coast area will be funded by the \$6 million, the agency said. The number and funds allocated include Mississippi (\$1,442,769 and 33 personnel), Louisiana (\$3,173,423 and 92 personnel) and Alabama (\$1,383,812 and 27 personnel).

The federal agency said the \$6 million for the Gulf Coast states was part of \$23 billion being allocated for HIDTA programs in five areas of the nation.

## Fight lung disease with used vehicles

The American Lung Association of Mississippi wants your unneeded vehicles, regardless of condition. Not only could your donation save you on tax day, but it could help save someone's life.

Each donor will receive a charitable contribution credit and a tax deduction.

The Lung Association will pick up the vehicle free of charge throughout most areas of the state, explained Roland D. Robertson, president of the American Lung Association of Mississippi. Other requirements — car trucks and vans, boats, trailers, etc., must be in good working condition.

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## Parenting Seminars at SMH

Designed specially for parents, the following seminars are being sponsored by Slidell Memorial Hospital and Medical Center during January.

**Strengthening Stepfamily:** Jan. 2, 7:30 p.m. in the SMH Women's Resource Suite. If you are part of a stepfamily or planning to be, join this helpful support group. Call 646-0044 to register.

**Boy Talk — Facts and Feelings About Growing Up:** Jan. 6, 7 p.m. in the SMH Women's Resource Suite.

Parents and infants (birth to 12 months) are invited to join Linda Jajiki, RN, of the SMH Nursery as she discusses signs of illness, teething, infection, when to call the pediatrician, immunization schedules and first aid methods. Call 646-0044 to register.

**Parenting Preschoolers**

**Fears of Dogs, Monsters and the Dark:** Jan. 17, 9:30 a.m. at Christ Episcopal Church, 1534 7th Street. SMH parent educator Susan Higgins will discuss the most common fears for 3- to 5-year-olds and shares some tips on how to keep those fears from overwhelming you and your child. A baby sitter is available at this program for a \$2 fee. Call 646-0044 to register.

**Baby Talks — Illness and Your Infant:** Jan. 16, 7 p.m. in the SMH Women's Resource Suite.

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## PRCC spring orientation

Orientation for all new students who plan to enroll at Pearl River Community College for the 1997 spring semester is Jan. 8-9 at 8:30 a.m. in Moody Hall Auditorium.

PRCC President Ted Alexander will welcome students to campus, and other administrators will be on hand to answer any questions students may have regarding the admissions process and spring classes. Counselors will also be available to discuss other topics of interest to students.

Following orientation, students will meet with advisors at assigned times. There is no admission fee for orientation.

All students should have their transcripts on file in the PRCC Admissions Office or they can bring them to orientation. In addition, all academic and technical students must take the American College Test (ACT), while vocational students must take the Test for Adult Basic Education (TABE).

Any student who has not taken either of the tests should telephone the PRCC Counseling Center at (601) 795-1250 for information.

## Health programs from SMH

Slidell Memorial Hospital is offering the following health-care seminars and screening during the month of January:

**It's All About Eating:** Jan. 6, noon in the SMH Women's Resource Suite. This support group will help you to control your eating behavior and understand your relationship with food. Call 646-0044 to register.

**Moles — Take 'em or Leave 'em:** Jan. 7, noon in the SMH Women's Resource Suite. Dr. Elizabeth McBurney, dermatology and laser surgery, will discuss the different types of moles found on the body, warning signs and what you should do about moles. Call 646-0044 to register.

**Prostate Screening for Men Over 40:** Jan. 7, 9-11 a.m. and Jan. 23, 1-3 p.m. in the SMH Medical Office Building at the Urology Center, Ste. 440; \$10 for the PSA Test. The screening consists of a digital rectal examination and prostate specific antigen (PSA) blood test. Screening is for men who have not been diagnosed with cancer of the prostate or have not received a prostate exam within the last 12 months. Appointments are required by calling 646-6660.

**Women and Depression — You Can Bloom Out of Your Gloom:** Jan. 8, noon in the SMH Women's Resource Suite.

Ann Rau, MS will help you learn to identify destructive patterns and discuss ways to break out of them. Call 646-0044 to register.

**Hypnosis Classes:** Sponsored by the American Lung Association and SMH. Jan. 8, 6:30 p.m. (weight control) and 8:30 p.m. (smoking cessation); in the SMH Medical Office Building Rooms A & B. Free: \$45 per session. For reservations, call 1-800-586-4872.

**Coping with Divorce:** Jan. 20, 7 p.m. in the SMH Women's Resource Suite. The seminar will focus on the emotional rollercoaster separated and divorced people feel and some positive ways of coping during this difficult time. Call 646-0044 to register.

**Midlife Doesn't Have to be a Crisis:** Jan. 21, noon in the SMH Women's Resource Suite. Join the discussion on the empty nest, physical changes and questions about our relationships, and much more. Call 646-0044 to register.

**Diabetes Wellness:** Jan. 27, 30, 6:30 p.m. in the SMH Wellness Pavilion.

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## Getting Down To The Basics Of Arm And Shoulder Pain

Arm and shoulder pain may have a variety of causes. But whatever the cause or name given to the condition, they all share one common ingredient — pain. The pain may be of the constant, dull, throbbing variety. Possibly it is a sharp, stabbing sensation that comes and goes. Often the pain will worsen with increased activity. Whatever the cause or sensation of the pain, all victims share one basic desire — be rid of the pain.

Often they seek relief through heating pads, liniment rubs, pills or injections. These may produce temporary relief, but they fail to prevent new pain from returning again and again. Normal activity such as combing the hair, reaching into an overhead shelf, or putting on an overcoat may become a major undertaking for the victim of arm and shoulder pain.

Essentially, the causes for arm and shoulder pain can be broken down into two basic types:

The first type we will call "exciting" causes. Among the chief exciting causes are sleeping in a draft, sitting with an injured shoulder on one side of the neck; driving in the country with the car window open down one side or strikes one side of neck, or sleeping on the stomach with the head turned to one side. If there is weakness in

the neck or upper region of the spine, the victim is even more susceptible to the above exciting causes.

The second major cause of arm and shoulder pain could be called the "true" cause. This is a spinal misalignment that causes a pinching or pressing upon one or more of the nerves that lead into the affected area. This disorder may first appear as a dull neuritis and if not corrected it will progress into chronic neuritis or arthritis, making it harder to correct.

While the victim of arm and shoulder pain can eliminate exciting causes from his lifestyle once they are discovered, spinal misalignment is not self-correcting and needs professional care.

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STATE OF MISSISSIPPI  
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ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
OF THE ESTATE OF BENJAMIN R. THORPE, JR.

Cause No. 98-0008

A notice of Administration has been filed on the 18 day of December, 1998, by the Circuit Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the Estate of Benjamin R. Thorpe, Jr., deceased; notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said Estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for Probate at least 30 days from the date of filing, or 10 days from the date of filing if the Clerk has designated a date of filing earlier than 30 days.

Failure to do so will bar such claims.

Specifics may be obtained at the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, located at 101 Court Street, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520, during regular business hours.

This the 18th day of December, 1998.

SANDRA THORPE,  
ADMINISTRATRIX

DEPUTY CLERK

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6. GAS PARTS.....T8006

7. GLAVERS.....T8007

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JANUARY 16, 1999.

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DEPUTY MUNICIPAL CLERK

12-19; 12-26/98

The Board of Supervisors of Hancock County, Mississippi ("the County"), took up for consideration the matter of issuing General Obligation Road and Bridge Bonds, of said County. After a discussion of the subject, Supervisor Ladner offered and moved the adoption of the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION DECLARING THE INTENTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, TO ISSUE GENERAL OBLIGATION ROAD AND BRIDGE BONDS, OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED SIX MILLION DOLLARS (\$6,000,000) TO RAISE MONEY FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSTRUCTING, RECONSTRUCTING AND REPAIRING ROADS, HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES, AND ACQUIRING THE NECESSARY LAND, INCLUDING LAND FOR ROAD-BUILDING MATERIALS, ACQUIRING RIGHTS-OF-WAY THEREFOR; AND THE PURCHASE OF HEAVY CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT AND ACCESSORIES THERETO REASONABLY REQUIRED TO CONSTRUCT, REPAIR AND RENOVATE ROADS, HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES AND APPROACHES THERETO WITHIN THE COUNTY; AND DIRECTING PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF SUCH INTENTION.**

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Hancock County, Mississippi (the "Board"), acting for and on behalf of Hancock County, Mississippi (the "County"), hereby finds, determines, adjudicates and declares as follows:

1. The County is authorized by Section 19-9-1 through 19-9-31, Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended (the "Act"), to issue bonds hereinafter proposed to be issued for the purposes and the amounts set forth in paragraph 2 of this preamble.

2. It is necessary and in the public interest to issue General Obligation Road and Bridge Bonds (the "Bonds") of the County in the principal amount not to exceed Six Million Dollars (\$6,000,000) to raise money for the purpose of constructing, reconstructing and repairing roads, highways and bridges, and acquiring the necessary land, including land for road-building materials, acquiring rights-of-way therefor; and the purchase of heavy construction equipment and accessories thereto reasonably required to construct, repair and renovate roads, highways and bridges and approaches thereto with the County.

3. The assessed value of all taxable property within the County, according to the last completed assessment for taxation, is Two Hundred Sixteen Million Nine Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Six Hundred Twenty-One Dollars (\$216,925,621); the County has outstanding bonded indebtedness subject to the fifteen percent (15%) debt limit prescribed by Section 19-9-5, Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended, in the amount of Fourteen Million Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$14,060,000), and outstanding bonded and floating indebtedness subject to the twenty percent (20%) debt limit prescribed by Section 19-9-5, Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended (which amount includes the sum set forth above subject to the 15% debt limit), in the amount of Seventeen Million Five Hundred Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$17,560,000); the issuance of the Bonds hereinafter proposed to be issued pursuant to the Act, when added to the outstanding bonded indebtedness of the County, will not result in bonded indebtedness, exclusive of indebtedness not subject to the aforesaid fifteen percent (15%) debt limit, of more than fifteen percent (15%) of the assessed value of taxable property within the County, and will not result in indebtedness, both bonded and floating, exclusive of indebtedness not subject to the aforesaid twenty percent (20%) debt limit, in excess of twenty percent (20%) of the assessed value of taxable property within the County, and will not exceed any constitutional or statutory limitation upon indebtedness which may be incurred by the County.

4. The County reasonably expects that it will incur expenditures prior to the issuance of the Bonds, which it intends to reimburse with the proceeds of the Bonds upon the issuance thereof. This declaration of official intent to reimburse expenditures made prior to the issuance of the Bonds in anticipation of the issuance of the Bonds is made pursuant to Department of Treasury Regulations Section 1.150-2 (the reimbursement regulations). The project for which such expenditures are made is the same as described hereinabove in SECTION 1, of this resolution. The maximum principal amount of debt expected to be issued for the project is the amount hereinabove set forth.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD ACTING FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY, AS FOLLOWS:

**SECTION 1.** The Board hereby declares its intention to issue General Obligation Road and Bridge Bonds, of the County in the principal amount not to exceed Six Million Dollars (\$6,000,000) pursuant to the Act to raise money for the purpose of constructing, reconstructing and repairing roads, highways and bridges, and acquiring the necessary land, including land for road-building materials, acquiring rights-of-way therefor; and the purchase of heavy construction equipment and accessories thereto reasonably required to construct, repair and renovate roads, highways and bridges and approaches thereto with the County. The Bonds may be issued in one or more series and will be general obligations of the County payable as to principal and interest out of and secured by an irrevocable pledge of the avails of a direct and continuing tax to be levied annually without limitation as to time, rate, or amount upon all the taxable property within the geographical limits of the County.

**SECTION 2.** The Board proposes to direct the issuance of the Bonds in the amounts, for the purposes and secured as aforesaid at a meeting place of the Board at its meeting place in the Hancock County Courthouse in the City of Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, at the hour of 10:00 o'clock a.m. on January 6, 1997.

**SECTION 3.** If on or before 10:00 o'clock a.m. on January 6, 1997, twenty percent (20%) of the qualified electors of the County or fifteen hundred (1,500), whichever is less, shall file a written protest with the clerk of Hancock County against the issuance of the Bonds pursuant to the Act, then Bonds for such purpose or purposes shall not be issued unless authorized at an election on the question of the issuance of such Bonds to be called and held as provided by law. If no protest is filed on or before 10:00 o'clock a.m. on January 6, 1997, against the issuance of Bonds, then the Bonds may be issued without an election on the question of the issuance thereof at any time within a period of two (2) years after the date specified in Section 2 hereof.

**SECTION 4.** This resolution shall be published once a week for at least three (3) consecutive weeks in Sea Coast Echo, a newspaper published in and having a general circulation in Hancock County and qualified under the provisions of Section 13-3-31, Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended. The first publication of this resolution shall be made not less than twenty-one (21) days prior to the date fixed herein for the issuance of the Bonds, and the last publication shall be made not more than seven (7) days prior to such date.

**SECTION 5.** The Clerk of the Board shall be and is hereby directed to procure from the publisher of the aforesaid newspaper the customary proof of the publication of this resolution and have the same before the Board on the date and hour specified in Section 2 hereof.

**SECTION 6.** If any one or more of the provisions of this resolution shall for any reason be held to be illegal or invalid, such illegality or invalidity shall not affect any of the other provisions of this resolution, but this resolution shall be construed and enforced as if such illegal or invalid provision or provisions had not been contained herein.

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Supervisor Ladner seconded the motion to adopt the foregoing resolution, and the question being put to a roll call vote, the result was as follows:

Supervisor Ladner, Sr. voted: Yes  
Supervisor Pattie Pulliam voted: No  
Supervisor Linda Coward voted: Yes  
Supervisor Steve Seymour voted: Yes  
Supervisor Philip E. Moran voted: Yes

The motion having received the affirmative vote of a majority of the members present, the President of the Board declared the motion carried and the resolution adopted, on the 18th day of November, 1998.

John C. Underwood, Jr.  
Administrator

**IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI**

Jacqueline Vierino, Plaintiff,

versus,

Off. Ward, Alfred F. Harris, and any and all persons

having or claiming any legal or equitable title in and

to the Real Estate, located at 111 Court Street, Bay St.

Louis, MS 39520, as per the official map or plat thereof on file and of record

in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County,

Mississippi, having claims against said Estate.

INTERESTED BIDDERS MAY PICK UP SPECIFICATIONS AT CITY HALL, 101 COURT STREET, BAY ST. LOUIS, MS 39520. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO RECEIVED A COPY OF THE SPECIFICATIONS BY MAIL, WRITE TO: CITY OF BAY ST. LOUIS CITY HALL ATTENTION: JOYCE RHODES, PURCHASING DEPARTMENT, 101 COURT STREET, BAY ST. LOUIS, MS 39521. YOU MAY CALL 601-467-9008.

WE WILL STOP RECEIVING BIDS AT 10 P.M. ON

JANUARY 16, 1997.

ROBERT J. PARKER, DMC  
DEPUTY MUNICIPAL CLERK

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of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk's office.

WHEREAS, Fleet Mortgage Corp., has historians

substituted J. Gary Massey as Trustee by instrument

dated October 14, 1998 and recorded in the aforesaid

Chancery Clerk's Office in Book 413, Page 413;

WHEREAS, Fleet Mortgage Corp., has historians

substituted the aforesaid dead trust and the entire debt

secured thereby having been declared to be due and

payable in accordance with the terms of said dead of

trust, Fleet Mortgage Corp., the legal holder of said in-

debtedness, having recorded the undersigned Substi-

tuted Trustee in the name of Jacqueline Vierino, having

claims against said Estate are hereby notified

and required to have the same probated and registered

by the Clerk of said Court as received by letter within

ninety (90) days from date of first publication of this Notice. Failure to do so will forever bar such claims.

WITNESS my signature, the 25th day of November,

1998.

DORIS M. SMITH, SELLERS

Exhibit

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**IN THE CHANCERY COURT**

**OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CHARLES ERNST SELLERS, Deceased**

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

**OF CHARLES ERNST SELLERS**

NO. 98-0002

NOTICE is hereby given that Letters Testamentary

on the Estate of Charles Ernst Sellers, deceased,

Probate No. 98-0002, were granted to the undersigned

by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi,

on the 10 day of December, 1998, and all persons

having claims against said Estate are hereby notified

and required to have the same probated and registered

by the Clerk of said Court as received by letter within

ninety (90) days from date of first publication of this Notice. Failure

to do so will forever bar such claims.

WITNESS my signature, the 10th day of December,

1998.

DORIS M. SMITH, SELLERS

Exhibit

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**IN THE CHANCERY COURT**

**OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI**

**IN THE MATTER OF ROBERT EDWARD TORDT, Sr.**

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

**OF ROBERT EDWARD TORDT, Sr.**

NO. 98-0002

NOTICE is hereby given that Letters Testamentary

on the Estate of Robert Edward Tordt, Sr., deceased,

Probate No. 98-0002, were granted to the undersigned

by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi,

on the 10 day of December, 1998, and all persons

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